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On duty from the morning of Sunday, the 3rd December to the morning of Sunday, the 10th December, "B" Co., H.K.V.R.
Orderly Officer—2nd Lieut. F. H. Thomas.

Next for duty H.K.V.C.

PARTIES FOR NEXT WEEK.

Monday, 4th December—

"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Names of members to parade will be published later.

Tuesday, 5th December—

"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for Musketry. Dress: Drill Order. Names of members to parade will be published later.

Wednesday, 6th December—

"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Names of members to parade will be published later.

"B" Co. on the road outside the Law Courts at 4.45 p.m. "Kowloon and Tai Kok Sections on the Polo Ground at 5 p.m. Dress: Drill order.

Machine Gun Section on the Polo Ground at 5 p.m. Dress: Drill order. Signalling Section on the Polo Ground at 5 p.m. Dress: Drill order without rifles.

Thursday, 7th December—

"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Names of members to parade will be published later.

Friday, 8th December—

"A" Co. at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Names of members to parade will be published later.

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TIME TABLE.

WEKEND.

TOTAL W.EKEND AT 1st DECEMBER, 1914,
£23,970,367.

I.—Authorized Capital £2,000,000
Subscribed Capital £24,000,000
Paid-up Capital £22,457,500

II.—Fire Funds £1,837,047

III.—Life and Annuity Funds £17,867,590
Sinking Fund Account £128,230

£23,970,367

Revenue Fire Branch £2,931,456
Life and Annuity Branches £2,141,593

Revenue Marine Department £37,233
Other Receipts £78,849

£25,329,223

7.30 a.m. * 8.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
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1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

7.30 a.m. * 8.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
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6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

Extra Car at 12 midnight.

SPECIAL CARS by arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Voeux Road Central.

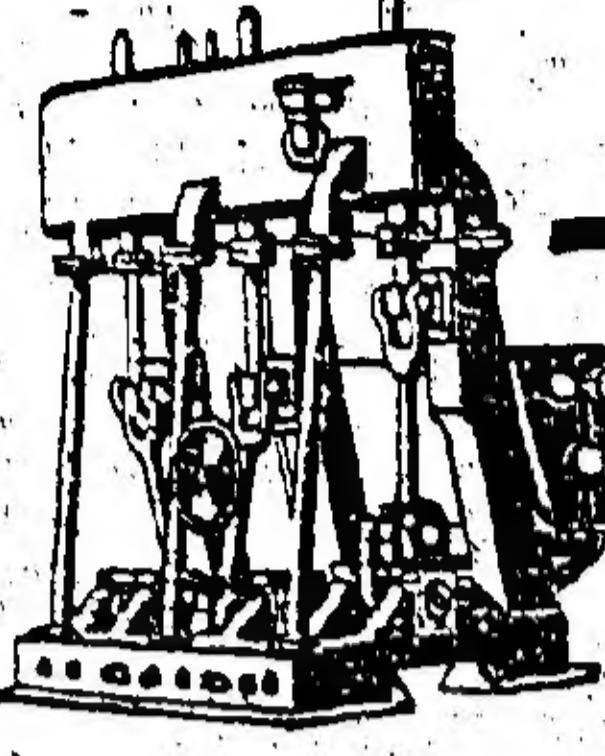
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Bonds are issued in denominations of £100, £200, £300, £1,000 and £5,000.

The interest is payable half-yearly on 15th February and 15th August.

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A declaration regarding exemption from Income Tax is necessary in the case of Bearer Bonds, but the interest warrants relating to registered Bonds, without any deduction of Income Tax, can be sent direct to the owner of such registered Bonds, or to his banker.

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(3) On written application (on a form obtainable at any Post Office) being made to the Controller, Money Order Department, London, the purchase price, or part thereof in multiples of 15s. 6d., will be repaid at any time, with an addition of 3d. for each £6s. 6d. on the first anniversary of the date of purchase, and with a further addition of 1d. per £6s. 6d. for each month thereafter.

(4) No person may hold more than £60 21 Certificates or their equivalent.

The £1 Certificates (purchase price 15s. 6d.) are issued in book form. The Certificates for £12 (purchase price £9 6s.) and £25 (purchase price £19 7s. 6d.) are issued without books. The £1, £12 and £25 Certificates are on sale at local Post Offices and at most Banks.

Single Certificate for sums from £100 to £500 may be obtained on application to the Comptroller and Accountant General, General Post Office, London; application forms are available at all Post Offices and at most Banks.

If Certificates be lost, and the serial numbers can be furnished to the Controller of the Money, Order Department, new Certificates will be issued at a charge of 1s.

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June, 1916.

(For examples of Investment in War Savings Certificates, see the other side.)

Examples of Investment in War Savings Certificates

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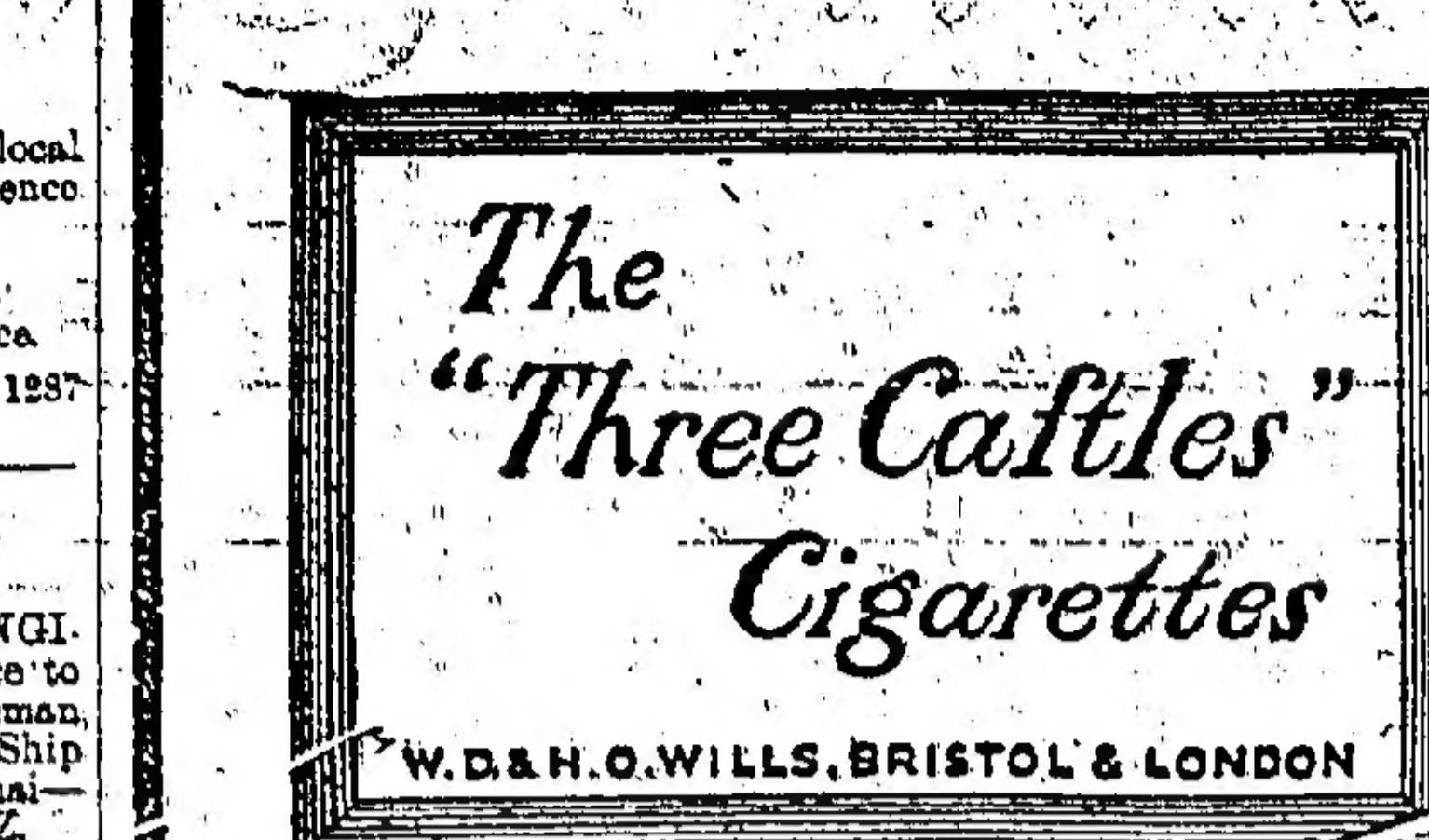
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MILK FROM SOYA BEANS.

SUCCESSFUL MANUFACTURE AT CHANGSHA.

A firm composed of Chinese from the province of Chekiang has, says the U.S. Consul at Changsha, recently opened a small factory at Changsha for the manufacture of milk from beans. This bean milk has long been known to the Chinese under the name of fu chiang or bean curd sauce. This is not to be confused with the product known as chiang yu, a fermented sauce made from beans which is well-known both as the soy of the Japanese and as one of the constituents of some of the famous soups of Europe.

Bean milk is made from the small yellow beans, the same variety from which the Chinese bean curd and chiang yu or soy are made. The process appears to be a very simple one. The beans are soaked and then crushed between two stones. The crushed mass is allowed to run off into a tub and is then strained through cheesecloth and diluted with water and boiled. After boiling, it is again strained, and the white milk run off into bottles and sold to the factory's customers. An analysis of the bean-curd milk shows that it had a specific gravity of 1.020 and a fat content of 3.125, contrasted with a specific gravity of 1.025 and a fat content of 3.9 for good average cows' milk in America.

(2) COMPLICATED MACHINERY NOT NEEDED.

The factory is a very small one. The proprietors informed me they did all of their work at night, in order to have their milk fresh for delivery the following morning. They begin their work about 10 o'clock. The milk is ready and bottled by daylight, when it is sent out by coolie to the various customers.

The room where the milk is made shows that no complicated machinery is necessary in the manufacture of the milk. At one end of the room were found two of the small stone mills in which the beans were ground. Large numbers of bottles were arranged on a rack near the wall, clean and ready to receive the morning's supply of milk. At the opposite end of the room there were three wooden vats built into a concrete foundation, which proved to be a furnace. The prepared product is poured into these vats and boiled, the furnace being supplied with fuel from a hole in the outside wall. On either side were two earthenware jars into which the boiled product is poured and from which it is allowed to run through stopcocks into the bottles.

The manufacturers of this milk seem to be endeavouring to conduct their factory along hygienic lines. They invited inspection of their factory and expressed a desire to carry out the suggestions made by the inspecting physician. These suggestions related principally to the sterilization of the bottles before allowing the milk to run into them.

To the eye the product looks exactly like unskimmed cows' milk. It has an odour of raw beans, and is said to be not unpleasant to the taste. A member of

"SERBIA AND BULGARIAN entered the war with no realization of how the Central Powers would deal with small countries in arms against them. Rumania has no such illusions, for she realizes too clearly that the enemy would make every sacrifice to obliterate her from Europe."

"Such has been and is the confidence of Rumania in the justice of her cause, and such has been and is the faith in her Allies, that with them she has cast in her lot, assured in the conviction that her great Allies will see that she prove not to be the third of the small Powers that is destroyed in this great conflict."

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"What the enemy crave for vengeance against Rumania for daring to espouse the cause of justice and to fight for the relief of her own people in Transylvania has been made clear in the first month of the war. Bucharest had been cruelly bombarded by Zeppelins and aeroplanes day after day. Hundreds of women and children have been killed, and maimed that the enemy might exact from the innocent the penalty of a just action on the part of the Rumanian Government."

"The effect of these acts has been such as the enemy might well have fought battles to prevent. The enemy has almost overnight created a bitterness which has enraged against him the whole nation, which makes peace without victory an utter impossibility to Rumania."

"Though the policy of our enemy renders it increasingly difficult to preserve restraint among our troops and our people, the Rumanians will not falter in their allegiance to the cause, nor can the enemy wear them from their faith in England the just in France their Latin brothers, and in Russia their immediate neighbour, yet the Rumanians pray that in spite of their own huge problems the Allies will not allow the affairs of Rumania who has stuck her in this conflict to pass into the back of their minds and suffer, so that she meets the fate either of Belgium or of Serbia."

"We have taken the responsibility of entering the war, and we feel sure that our great Allies will see to it that their sympathy and their support will be ever behind us while that war endures."

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FEAR OF REPRISALS BRINGING BETTER TREATMENT.

A series of articles has been written for the *Times* by Mr Thomas D. Curtin, an American, who has spent ten months in Germany. In his seventh article Mr Curtin deals further with the treatment of prisoners in Germany, and emphasizes the advantage which the superior number of German prisoners held in England gives us, if put to use, in negotiating better conditions for our countrymen held by the enemy. He writes—

Getting at the facts in Germany is almost as difficult as in conveying these facts out of Germany when you have got them.

Since the Germans began to find the war going against them, since, in particular, the English and French made large captures of Prussian Guards and other corps d'élite soldiers, a number of really excellent camps have been arranged to which neutral visitors are invited.

Before describing a visit to one of these great towns of prisoners, for that is what they are, I should like to repeat my conviction that now you have a balance of German prisoners here Germany will, for fear of reprisals, treat your men better than in the past. This view is borne out in an article in the *Frankfurter Zeitung* quoted in *The Times* yesterday, dealing as *The Times* says, in a tone of unctuous self-satisfaction with the treatment by Germany of their almost two million captives.

The world does not need reminders such as that of Wittenberg or of so singularly accurate narratives as several in *Blackwood's Magazine* to know what has happened to English prisoners in Germany.

It is common knowledge throughout the German Empire that the most healthsome tasks of the war in connection with every camp or cage are given to the English. Consider, then, that we have had men in London about your prisoners give me the impression that the British public does not exactly apprehend what a prisoner stands for in German eyes.

WEBSITE CARD INDEX.

First, he is a hostage. If he be an officer his exact social value is estimated by the authorities in Berlin, who have a complete card index of all their officers prisoners, showing to what British families they belong and whether they have social or political connexions in England. Thus when someone in England mistakes you for a German, and before you had sufficient German prisoners in your hands, treated certain submarine raiders differently from other prisoners, the German Government speedily referred to this card index, picked out a number of officers prisoners with connexions in the House of Lords and House of Commons, and treated them as convicts.

Now that you have, in your hands, a great number of officers, some of them of distinguished German families, and also with royal and political influences, you can get better terms for your officers by the application of ordinary commonsense in dealing with the German authorities.

The other German view of the prisoner is his cash value as a labourer. I invite my readers to realize the enormous pecuniary worth of the two million prisoners slaves now reclaiming swamps, tilling the soil, building roads and railways, and working factories, for their German masters.

Some of your military writers leave these prisoners out of their calculations when estimating Germany's man-power. If you had two million prisoners you would probably be able to release two million of your own people for military service.

The most numerous body of prisoners in Germany are the Russians. They are to be seen everywhere. They have greater freedom than any other prisoners, and travel unguarded in many cases by rail or tramway to and from their work. If they are not provided with good Russian uniforms, in which case they would not be able to escape, they are made conspicuous by wide stripes down the trouser or on the back. They are easy, docile, physically strong, and accustomed to a lower grade of food than any other prisoners, except the Germans.

The English, of course, are much the smallest number in Germany, but much the most highly prized for hate propaganda purposes.

"More difficult to manage," said one *Unter-officer* to me, "than the whole of the rest of our two million." It is, indeed, a fact that your 30,000 prisoners, though the worst treated, are the gayest, most outspoken, and rebellious against tyranny of the whole collection.

I desire to be strictly fair to the Germans in my record of these 300 days I have lately spent among them during this fourth trip of mine.

I will describe the great prison camp of Soltau, with its 30,000 inmates in a veritable city as we should call it on the other side of the Atlantic.

Five hours away from Berlin on the monotonous *Autobahn* (Linienstrasse), has sprung up this great town of a dozen modern houses, each of a dozen flats. I applied to the German Foreign Office in Berlin for permission to accompany Halil Bey (formerly Turkish Consul in Berlin) and Herr Miller (interested in Germany) on their visit to this camp, saying that I would like to see the camp for myself.

I reported to my largely written by the German Government in Berlin employed by the German Government, notably Antwerp Stanhope, who for well-known reasons was unable to enter England at the outbreak of war, and so remains and must remain in Germany, where, for a very humble position he conducts this campaign against his own country. I shall have more to say of the *Continental Times* on future occasions.

For the Russians a special living sheet, called the *Russische Zeitung*, is issued. All these newspapers pretend to print the official French, British, and Russian communiques.

For a long time the effect on the English prisoners was bad, but little by little events revealed to them that the *Continental Times*, which made a specialty of attacks on the English, was not true.

Still, the English and British, it is still maintained, are a scourge for Americans in Germany. For a long time displayed on the front page of one of the *Continental Times* had this heading: "The Journal is now as violently anti-American as it is anti-British" and could not exist but for the money provided weekly for the maintenance of the staff, purchase of paper, and printing by the English Department of the German Foreign Office propaganda.

I may be permitted to remark here that the English Department in the Willmington is vigorously maintained. This fact should be a warning to English editors, journalists, and others who might quite innocently, not only in themselves but in their readers, attack America and Canada.

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KISMET.

NOTICE.

THE General Booking for "Kismet" opens on Monday morning, and as the advance booking yesterday and to-day has been quite phenomenal, you are recommended to secure your seats without delay. On the Gala Night the entire ground floor will be given up to 35 seats and comfortable chairs will be provided instead of the old benches at the back. These back seats will be found preferable to any others for a spectacular production such as "Kismet".

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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THE DIARY.**MEMO. FOR TOMORROW.**

9 a.m.—Excursion to Masso by s.s. "Taishan".

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

9 a.m.—General Booking Opens for "Kismet".

10.45 a.m.—Auction of Oil Paintings at the City Hall.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Dec. 9.—
10.30 a.m.—Auction of Gramophone Records at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

10.45 a.m.—Auction of Jewellery, Binoculars, etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

Entrance close for Wodehouse Cup (Ladies' Foursomes, Fanning).

8.45 p.m.—Full Moon.

MONDAY, Dec. 11.—
3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.

TUESDAY, Dec. 12.—
Entries close for Ladies' Championships R.H.K. Golf-Club.

FRIDAY, Dec. 14, 1916, 10 a.m.—
A.D.C. Performances of "Kismet" in aid of "Star and Garter" Fund.

**THIS WEEK'S
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NEWS OF THE DAY.**BIRTHS.**

ANDERSEN.—On November 25, at Shanghai to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. M. ANDERSEN, a son.

CRADOCK.—On Nov. 27, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. F. H. CRADOCK, of Chinkiang, a daughter.

DEATH.

DOUGLAS-JONES.—On Nov. 20, at Hang-kow, Percy DOUGLAS-JONES, aged 41 years, son of Colonel Douglas-Jones of Wimbledon.

REBELLION.

Special collections are being taken to-morrow at Union Church on behalf of the Church funds, the object being to reduce the Bank overdraft.

The Manila Observatory late last night reported a cyclone or typhoon E. of the northern Visayas or south-eastern Luzon, recurring north-eastward.

Included in the Mr. Montague's cargo, when she sailed for Vancouver from Yokohama on November 20, was raw silk valued at \$4,050,000, and 20,319 packages of tea.

Chinese papers say that the Tientsin Mint has turned out 100,000 coins in commemoration of the inauguration of President Li Yuan-hang. These coins were transported to Peking on November 24.

A Greek subject named C. F. Debergton, of 32, Amoy Street, Wan-chai, has reported to the Police that between 9 a.m. and 11.30 p.m. yesterday some person entered his house by means of a duplicate key and stole clothing, a Belgian heating stove and a quantity of cutlery, valued altogether at \$48.70.

Two representatives of the Standard Oil Co. have arrived at Peking for the purpose of consulting the Government authorities about the Yen-chang petroleum fields in Shensi. Some Chinese papers say that the Company may make another effort for digging oil in that province, says the "Peking Daily News."

An Order made by the Governor in Council alters the rule with regard to exports to Switzerland, which now reads as follows: "No person shall without the special permission of the Superintendent of Imports and Exports export or attempt to export any article to Switzerland unless such article is consigned to the Societe Suisse de Surveillance Economique."

The following members of "A" Coy. H.K.V.R. will parade at Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. on Monday for Mustique (Dress: Drill order): L/Sgt., W. J. Crawford, Corp. W. Hill, Pte. T. Arthur, G. T. M. Edling, F. C. M. Husley, R. P. Thursfield, H. A. Walker, R. L. Bridger, W. G. Worcester, H. J. Knight, W. H. Ford, J. S. Dobie, A. C. Dias, J. W. White, F. A. Brown, J. D. Kiernard and A. D. Keigwin.

The British postal agencies in China are to be provided with special stamps, and these will be created by overprinting the existing stamps of Hongkong. The control of these British postal agencies in China was vested until recently in the Hongkong postal administration, but it has now been transferred to the Imperial Government, on whom falls the expense of their maintenance.

Fifteen denominations are to be overprinted in the current King George set, namely, the 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 25 and 50 cents, 1, 2, 3, 5, and 10 dollars.—L. and C. Express.

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THE MAGISTRACY.**RICHLY DESERVED PUNISHMENT.**

Out of spite, for money which he alleged was owing to him, a discharged Chinese painter last night in Pottinger Street met his former employer and threw a quantity of pepper and ground glass into his eyes. The painter ran away but was caught by a "Special."

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NEWS OF THE DAY.**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

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WILY CHINESE STALLHOLDERS.

Inspector Terrett, of the Weights and Measures department, prosecuting several Chinese stallholders at the Market for inaccurate scales, said his experience had been that most of the stallholders kept two pairs of scales—one good and one bad. The good scales were used when the Inspector was in the market. He often found bad scales on the first two or three stalls but all the rest were invariably good, the bad scales having been hidden on the Inspector's appearance.

THE NATIONAL MISSION OF REPENTENCE AND HOPE.

The Mission in Hongkong to be conducted by the Rt. Rev. F. L. Norris, D.D., Bishop in North China, commences with a service in St. John's Cathedral on November 24.

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Four meetings at the City Hall for men only are announced for next week. The first is on Monday at 5 p.m. when the Missioner's subject will be "Why doesn't God stop the War?"

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Dr. G. E. Aubrey has been appointed a member of the Medical Board.

His Excellency the Officer Administrator of the Government has been pleased to recognise, provisionally and pending the receipt of instructions from His Majesty's Government, Mr. Eduardo M. Ricci de Souza as Consul for Ecuador at Hongkong.

Dr. H. H. Lowrey, president of Peking University, and one of the oldest American missionaries in the Far East, has returned from America accompanied by Mrs. Lowrey. He has lived in China more than fifty years.

THE FIELD GLASS FUND.

The following letter has been received by Mr. V. Sorby from the Front, and will no doubt be of interest to those who have so kindly subscribed glasses to the Lady Roberts Field Glass Fund, to which the writer refers when speaking of the National League:

Belgium, 28th Oct. 1916.
DEAR Sir,—I have just received a pair of Field Glasses from the "National Service League," Victoria St., London.

Your name and address was enclosed with the glasses, so I take it you are the gentleman who sent them.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks. I can assure you I will take great care of them and trust that I shall be able, personally, to see that they are safely returned to you after the War.

I lost my own glasses together with all my kit in the recent push at the Somme. Field glasses are very hard to obtain nowadays, and I was in rather a hole until I thought of the N.S.L. and with your assistance pulled me out of it.

—Yours faithfully,

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CHINESE AFFAIRS.**(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)****THE AMERICAN LOAN TO CHINA.****PROTEST BY THE CONSORTIUM.**

LONDON, Dec. 1.

Reuter learns that early in September China applied to the Consortium Banks for a further instalment of £10,000,000 of the Reorganisation Loan. While the matter was still being discussed China, on the 1st November, concluded an arrangement with a Chicago Bank for a loan of a million pounds sterling.

The Consortium has protested on the ground that the Reorganisation Loan

Agreement gives the Consortium the first claim to make loans to China for administrative purposes.

(Wah Tsu Yet Po's Service.)

THE TIEN-TSIN AFFAIR.

PEKING, Dec. 1.

When Dr. Wu Ting Fang, the new Foreign Minister, passed through Tientsin on his way to Peking, a huge crowd assembled at the station and would not allow the train to proceed until he had delivered a short speech promising to do his best to maintain the country's territorial integrity.

Dr. Wu Ting Fang assumes office to-day.

REVOLUTIONARY EXPENSES.

PEKING, Dec. 1.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen has asked for 88 lakhs of dollars to defray expenses in connection with the Revolution. The vote has been approved at a Cabinet meeting.

Nau Wing Kin and Tam Ho Ming also demand several lakhs each while Li Lit Kwan wants half a million.

CANTONESE INFLUENCE IN PEKING.

PEKING, Dec. 1.

The Kwok Min Tong has increased its influence in political circles. The impending visit of Tang Shao Yi, Shum Chun Hsin and Sun Yat Sen to the capital may increase the fall of Tuan's Cabinet, and it is not improbable that Tang Shao Yi will be called upon to form a Cabinet to replace it.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewers are offering at

Ts. 160, Kung Yik at Ts. 8, and Yang

zappos at Ts. 8, whilst Shanghai Cottons have changed hands locally at Ts. 114 for cash.

THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

RUMANIA'S DESPERATE STRUGGLE.

RUMANIANS TAKE SEVERAL HUNDRED PRISONERS.

A Rumanian communiqué states: "We are violently attacking along the whole front in the Dobruja."

There is most violent fighting south of Pitesti and also in the Glavacine Valley and the Neajlov Valley as far as Komana.

We have taken several hundred prisoners and captured ten machine-guns and some war material.

Lively engagements are taking place on the whole front from the west frontier of Moldavia as far as Buzau Valley.

IMPORTANT RUSSIAN SUCCESS.

LONDON, Dec. 1. A Russian communiqué reports a successful offensive along the whole Rumanian frontier south of Kirlibaba, where the Russians, despite powerful artillery and violent counter-attacks occupied the whole range of heights.

THE RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE.

ODESSA, Dec. 1. It is reported that the Russians are carrying on their offensive along the whole of the Carpathian front.

DESTRUCTION OF GRAIN AND OIL.

Reuter learns that energetic measures are being taken to destroy all Rumanian grain and oil which is in danger of falling into the hands of the enemy.

BOMBING AND M. HINE-GUNNING REFUGEES.

KIEFF, Dec. 1. Enemy aeroplanes are mercilessly bombing and turning machine guns on the refugees on all roads out of Bucharest to towns in West Rumania.

THE RUSSO-RUMANIAN "RELIEF OFFENSIVE."

THE GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

LONDON, Dec. 1. A German communiqué states: "The Russians, and, on our south wing the Rumanians, continue their relief offensive" on a front of over 300 kilometres, between Jilionice Pass and the heights east of the Basin of Keyditschansky.

The communiqué claims that fierce fighting with a high expenditure of blood and munitions brought the Russians only a few advantages.

It adds: "The Rumanian troops in Western Rumania who were cut off from their Army are endeavouring by striking out in various directions, to escape."

The enemy resisted our forces advancing from the Alt at various river sectors but were repulsed.

The enemy here also took the offensive but could not stay our advance.

Our Danube army has crossed the Neajlov Valley and is approaching the lower course of Argau in the direction of Bucharest.

The communiqué claims rich booty in Wallachia.

THE MACEDONIAN FRONT.

PARIS, Dec. 1. A French communiqué states:

Two violent Germano-Bulgarian counter-attacks on the new Serbian positions north-west of Grusina were generally repulsed with severe losses, though they regained a footing in their lost trenches at some points.

Bad weather continues to prevent important operations.

ROWDIES IN ATHENS.

ATHENS, Dec. 1. A crowd of rowdies fired thirty shots into the offices of a Venetian paper, smashing the windows. There were no casualties.

INDIAN TOPICS.

LONDON, Dec. 1. It is understood that the proposal to appoint a Trade Commissioner for India in London has been submitted by Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for India.

Mr. Mitchell, a Commissioner of the Salvation Army, is shortly going to India to consider methods of extending the Army's work to the Chinese.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GREAT BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, Nov. 30. It is officially stated that the Russian Premier, M. Trepov, has telephoned to Mr. Asquith an expression of Russia's confidence, with God's help and the co-operation of the Allies, in a final triumph over the common enemy and also trusting in the indissoluble friendship of the two countries.

Mr. Asquith warmly reciprocating, expressed Great Britain's assurance of the continued close co-operation of the two Governments which would greatly contribute to the certain success of the Allied cause. The Government and the people were unitedly convinced that the friendship between Great Britain and Russia was confirmed by common efforts and sacrifices and would remain unshaken throughout the rupture, and tend thereafter to the maintenance of peace and civilisation.

HEAVY ARTILLERY WORK ON BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Dec. 1. General Sir Douglas Haig reports: "There has been reciprocal artillery work. The enemy's artillery was particularly heavy between the Somme and the Ancre."

BRITISH ENTER GERMAN LINES.

LONDON, Dec. 1. General Sir Douglas Haig reports: "We drove off an attempted raid north-east of Neuve Chapelle, and entered the German lines at several places southwards of Armentières."

VIGOROUS BOMBARDMENTS ON FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, Dec. 1. An official message states: "South of the Somme there has been a vigorous reciprocal bombardment—between Châlons and Bapaume, near Massiges. In Champagne, trench-guns blew up an enemy ammunition depot north of Four de Paris. In Aragonne we exploded three camouflaged which wrecked enemy mining works."

Sub-Lieutenant Ungesser has brought down his eighteenth aeroplane.

THE SITUATION IN RUMANIA.

RUSSIAN SUCCESSES.

LONDON, Dec. 1. A Bulgarian communiqué claims the defeat of the Rumanians in bayonet fighting between Giurgevo and Bükarest.

An Austrian communiqué speaks of great masses of Russians constantly attacking between the Uz Valley and Larca Pass "for the relief of the harassed Rumanians." The communiqué also admits "slight Russian successes."

ACUTE POSITION IN GREECE.

ALLIES TO LAND FORCES.

ATHENS, Dec. 1. In reply to Admiral Pomeroy's threat to land troops failing compliance with his demands, the Government to-night definitely refused to surrender arms and guns.

LOYALTY OF AFGHANISTAN.

FAILURE OF A GERMAN MISSION.

LONDON, Dec. 1. In the House of Commons, Mr. Chamberlain related the history of the German mission in Afghanistan, which the Amir dismissed in May last. He said he would not, in the public interest, state what had become of the members of that Mission, but some were captured by the Russians and British after leaving Afghanistan. He paid a high tribute to the behaviour of the Amir in the exceedingly difficult position in which the intervention of Turkey placed him, and acknowledged, with great satisfaction on behalf of the Government, the Amir's loyalty to his pledge of neutrality, and his refusal in refusing the seductive but unreliable inducements to forsake his Ally; and in using his influence to prevent disturbance on the frontier.

2,000 EXECUTIONS.

GERMAN TYRANNY IN COURLAND.

Refugees state that during the past nine months the Germans have court-martialled and executed 2,000 of the inhabitants of Courland for alleged treason and espionage.

SETTLEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN COAL STRIKE.

INTENSE RELIEF.

When replying in the House of Commons on October 19th to some criticisms on the issue of the 6 per cent stock on the ground, that the unnecessarily high interest depreciated the war loan, Mr. McKenna said that the main object of offering a good rate of interest was that the stock should be held abroad. The general financial opinion was that it was a bad time to issue a long-dated loan.

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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, November 1.
LIQUOR CONTROL IN SCOTLAND.

There are signs that the Central

Liquor Control Board will at no dis-

tant date set on foot important new

schemes of direct control. Some

hesitation has been shown in the

adoption of more drastic measures in

the large industrial centres; but after

the experience in Carlisle it is judged

that the system in operation there

will be extended to other more

important areas.

As one of the towns which are

receiving attention from the Board, and I

understand that schemes involving

the elimination of private interest in

the sale of liquor will shortly be

applied to certain populous Scottish

areas. Total prohibition of the sale

of spirits has been repeatedly urged

by influential Scottish opinion; but

naturally the Board hesitates to face

such a sweeping measure.

One circumstance which will

greatly influence the Board is that

representatives of labour opinion have

requested that further legisla-

tion should take the form of direct

control adopted in Carlisle. A joint

deputation from the Scottish Advisory

Labour Council and the Parliamentary

Committee of the Scottish Trade

Unions' Congress, headed by Robert

Simellie, met Lord D'Abernon and

other members of the Board and dis-

cussed at length the situation in

Scotland. They recommended that

direct control should be increased

over the whole of Scotland, and that

a start should be made with one or

two of the larger industrial areas.

This pronouncement of labour, it is

anticipated on all hands here, will

result in something of a far-reaching

character.

In this connection it may be re-

marked that the price of whisky is

moving upwards at a startling pace.

A year ago the market price without

the duty was 4s. 6d. and 5s. a gallon,

now it is 16s. and 18s., and it is pro-

phesied that it will soon reach 20s.

The Government are commanding

a "lot" of the spirit, and it is hardly

likely that the production can

increase. Undoubtedly the main

cause of the high price is the Govern-

ment's prohibition of the sale of whisky

until it is three years old; this is

causing wholesale firms to husband

their stocks.

It would appear that the demand

for consumption is keeping up well

despite the higher prices and the fact

that the allowable reduction of

strength is increased to 50 per cent.

The drinker is being touched in two

ways—he is getting less alcohol and

he is paying more money. Pre-war

neat whisky was one thing, war neat

whisky is quite another. It is now

necessary to "say when" much more

quickly; there is greater danger, of

"drunken" the miller."

According to the statement of the

Minister of Munitions, there is a

decrease in the quantity of whisky

consumed, in the number of convictions

for drunkenness, in the number of cases of delirium tremens. But

behind this lies the question.—What

is the effect of the restrictions and

the weakening of the whisky on those

who formerly drank to excess? Then

the fewer apprehensions may be due

to the reduction of the police force

through enlistment, or to the greater

difficulty in discovering drunks under

the present lighting restrictions. The

whole situation is complicated, and people variously inclined are drawing at various conclusions, from the figures of the Excise and of the police courts.

EASTERN MEN IN THE CASUALTIES.

Lieut. L. M. Robertson, Flying

Corps (killed), was the son of Dr.

Robertson, Lytham, Hamilton.

He was employed for eight years with

Messrs. Kerr, Polton & Co., East

India merchants, Manila, and was

assistant manager in one of the

Philippine Islands for the firm. He

came home in July last year, and was

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Gr. A. W. D. Spiers is granted 12 months' leave from Dec. 12.

Corp. W. Brown is granted 2 months' leave from Dec. 12.

Pte. K. M. Cumming is granted 3 months' extension of leave from Dec. 10 to Dec. 17.

Pte. A. R. S. Miller is granted leave for duration of War from Dec. 12.

PROMOTION.

To be Staff Surgeons (Mechanist-Electrician) with effect from Dec. 12.

Acting Sergeant T. W. Mathewson.

Acting Sergeant G. E. Marley.

Acting Sergeant W. J. Hill.

TRANFERRED.

Pte. C. Pereira Right Section M.G. Co. is transferred to Engineers Company from this date.

STRIKE OFF.

Sgt. L. Games is struck off the strength of the Corps from Dec. 11.

Sgt. J. C. Saunders is struck off the strength of the Corps from Dec. 11.

PRAIRIES.

Monday, 4th instant.—

5.10 p.m.—Centre Section M.G. Co. drill at Kowloon Dock, Hongkong, resented by launch from Statue Wharf at 4.30 p.m.

6.15 p.m.—Left Section M.G. Co. and Civil Service Company section drill at Headquarters, Right Section M.G. Co. section drill on Murray Parade Ground, Scouts Company platoon drill on Cricket Ground, Beaufort's and units on Murray Parade Ground under Corp. Grimes.

Tuesday, 5th instant.—

6.15 p.m.—Stretcher Bearer Section at Headquarters, Mounted Section at Jockey Stables.

6.30 p.m.—Signalling Section "A" and "B" classes at R.A. Theatre.

Wednesday, 6th instant.—

6.15 p.m.—Recruits and Trained Men of all units musketry Part I. on King's Park Range. (Each man to bring 30 rounds.) Range Officer, Lieut. Hall.

Sunday, 10th instant.—

9.00 a.m.—Recruits and Trained Men of all units musketry Standard Test on King's Park Range. (Each man to bring 20 and 23 rounds), respectively. Range Officer, Lieut. Stevenson. Officer 1/4 Butts Captain Preston. C.S.M.'s of units firing to attend.

DETACH.

On duty 10th inst.—Centre Section M.G. Co.

On duty 11th inst.—Right Section M.G. Co.

On duty 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th inst.—Scouts Company.

On duty 14th inst.—Civil Service Co.

On duty 24th inst.—Artillery Battery.

On duty 26th and 28th inst.—Beaufort's Section.

On duty 27th inst.—Centre Section M.G. Co.

On duty 28th inst.—Right Section M.G. Co.

On duty 29th and 30th inst.—Scouts Co.

Orderly Officer from 10th to 16th inst.—Lieut. Kennett.

Orderly Officer from 24th to 30th inst.—Lieut. Kern.

NOTICE.

Special meeting of the National Mission of Repentance and Hope will be held on Monday, December 4th; Tuesday, December 5th; Thursday, December 7th; and Friday, December 6th, at 8.30 p.m. in the City Hall.

1st December, 1916.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, December 2, 1916.

On London—

Bank Wire 2/3

On demand 2/3 1/6

30 day sight 2/4

4 months' sight 2/4 1/6

Credits, 4 months' sight 2/4 1/6

Documentary, 4 months' sight 2/4 1/6

On Paris—

On demand 2/3

Credits, 4 months' sight 2/3 1/6

On New York—

On demand 2/3

Credits, 60 days sight 2/3

On Bombay—

Wire 2/3

On demand 17/2

On Calcutta—

Wire 2/3

On demand 17/2

On Singapore—

On demand 2/3

On Manila—

On demand 110/4

On Shanghai—

On demand 2/3

30 days' sight (private paper) 2/3

On Yokohama—

On demand 108

Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) 52.70

Sovereigns (Bank's Buying rate) 88.56

Silver (per oz.) 35.5

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Chinese Copper Cent 1% p.m.

Rate of Exchange (London) 87.50

Chinese Sub. Coin 87.50

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CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong

1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT, DECEMBER 3.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)

Short Matins (8.30 a.m.)

Matins (11 a.m.)

INWARD MAILED.

MANILA—Per ss. *Federata*, Dec. 5.

EUROPE (VIA NEGAPATAM)—Per ss.

Athos, Dec. 6.

AUSTRALIA—Per ss. *Eastern*, Dec. 6.

The Services to Germany, Austria,

Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy

subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portu-

guese East Africa, Persia and Morocco can-

not be transmitted.

MAILS WILL CLOSE FOR—

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA VIS

TAMSUI.

Per *Kaiho Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday,

the 3rd Dec.

AMOY.

Per *Prometheus*, at 8 a.m., on Monday,

the 4th Dec.

HOIHOW, FAKHOI & HAIPHONG.

Per *Sunxiang*, at 8 a.m., on Monday,

the 4th Dec.

HOIHOW & HAIPHONG.

Per *Akane*, at 11 a.m., on Monday,

the 4th Dec.

HAIPHONG.

Per *Nichiro*, at 11 a.m., on Monday,

the 4th Dec.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA &

JAPAN VIS KOBE.

Per *Nansan*, at 2 p.m., on Monday,

the 4th Dec.

HAIPHONG.

Per *Chinayu*, at 5 p.m., on Monday,

the 4th Dec.

HAIPHONG.

Per *Chinayu*, at 5 p.m., on Monday,

the 4th Dec.

SWATOW.

Per *Hoi Hong*, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday,

the 5th Dec.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Per *Ten*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the

6th Dec.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME,

ARMED SERVICE STREET.

Sunday Evening, Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church,

Garden Road.

Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m., followed by

the Benediction of the Blessed

Sacrament.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL,

Glenside.

Low Mass at 6.7 and 8.30 a.m.

High Mass at 8 a.m.

5.30—Benediction of the Blessed

Sacrament.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been

compiled at the National Almanac Office

London, from the result of the analysis

of observations taken by means of an

automatic tide-recording machine in the

Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui

during the years 1887-88.

The zero of the table corresponds with the

zero of the sounding in the Admiralty

Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet

3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the

tide-gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge

at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet

4 inches to the height given in the table.

December 3rd to 10th, 1916.

HIGH WATER

LOW WATER

Barometer

Temperature

Humidity

Direction of Wind

Time

Barometer